

EXHIBIT B

May 6, 2010

Grievance Committee for the 9th Judicial District

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To Whom it May Concern;

I correspond with your office in regards to what I believe to be worth a grievance regarding Dutchess County based attorney, Lisa E. Hartley practicing law at 66 Forbus St Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. I first became familiar with Mrs. Hartley in 2007, when she represented my former husband in the legal matters regarding our then jointly owned marital residence for its sale and distribution of the held equity. After those proceedings and negotiations, the two engaged in a personal relationship, which, while they attempted to cover it up, was anything but discrete. While this relationship was of little or no concern to me at the time, it has developed, intensified, and now become a financial hardship to our minor children in common. My former husband, Brian Fraleigh, and I have four children. Our two sons are age 24 and 22, and our twin minor daughters are 17 years old.

After Mrs. Hartley's representation of Mr. Fraleigh, it is my understanding that the two were as discrete as possible regarding their relationship because of Mrs. Hartley's then and currently existent marriage. In 2009, it became apparent that the two were no longer covering up their relationship, as my daughters' day and overnight visits with their father were effectuated at Mrs. Hartley's residence. It is reported by his family that he is "never home" at the address that he claims to be where he resides, and our daughters have indicated that Mrs. Hartley's residence is where I should attempt to reach him at any time I should need to contact him. This information would be none of your concern, and I would not be contacting your office, but Mrs. Hartley continues to represent Mr. Fraleigh, and the following circumstances in which this relationship is unfolding is becoming a financial devastation to our daughters.

Mrs. Hartley not only represented Mr. Fraleigh during the closing of the sale of our marital residence, but has represented him in matters of child support and, recently, a small claims matter brought against me with Mr. Fraleigh as the plaintiff. At times, colleagues of Mrs. Hartley's would actually represent Mr. Fraleigh, but Mrs. Hartley was present and influential to their side to say the least. Until recently, it did not seem urgent enough to contact your office, but circumstances have changed.

Mrs. Hartley is representing Mr. Fraleigh as a petitioner in an existing petition in Dutchess County Family Court for a modification of the current child support order. Mr. Fraleigh's petition prays for relief in that *his support amount for his 2 minor teenage children will be lowered from the existing \$ 66.49 per week total*. Mr. Fraleigh lives in Mrs. Hartley's home, drives her car, and has not worked since September of 2009. It is my opinion, and the basis for my grievance, that Mrs. Hartley is enabling Mr. Fraleigh to fail to support our 2 daughters. If not for Mrs. Hartley's gifted vehicle, dwelling, and pro bono legal aid, Mr. Fraleigh would not be able to afford to turn his back on having gainful employment. It is the basis of his support petition that he cannot work due to illness. However, he has offered no evidence of attempting to declare disability, which would subsequently offer our daughters disability support for the remainder of their school years at the least. I fail to see how Mrs. Hartley can be objective as an attorney when she has everything to gain by Mr. Fraleigh's support of his daughters being diminished below the already impoverishing level.

It is my belief that the *Lawyer's Code of Professional Responsibility* specifically addresses matters with regards to attorneys and intimate relationships with their clients. Certainly, in this case, the personal intimate relationship formed *during* professional services has enabled Mr. Fraleigh to shed his financial responsibility for his children, and has exacerbated the intensity of how it is pursued in all Court forums.

As I am contacting your office with minimal prior knowledge of the function of its existence, please assist me with any specific forms with which my grievance needs to be accompanied. Also, please advise if there is any jurisdictional agency specific medium that I need to forward these matters to.

I can substantiate all of the above claims with copies of any and all Court documentation. I also hold copies of many e mails and written correspondence from Mr. Fraleigh before his and Mrs. Hartley's personal involvement. In addition I possess copies of correspondence, where by the content and format in which it is written, it is obvious , at best, that Mrs. Hartley is the author, and simply solicits Mr. Fraleigh's signature for the closing. Please advise when and/or if it is an appropriate time to produce such documentation in the event that Mrs. Hartley denies or resists their bipartisan relationship. It is my opinion that her legal representation of Mr. Fraleigh in domestic family matters while she engages in an intimate cohabitating relationship as his paramour is wholly inappropriate. Thank you for attention while I try to continue to almost exclusively support my and Mr. Fraleigh's children. Please contact me at the address and phone number below.

Sincerely,

Donna Fraleigh

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Donna Fraleigh
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June 11, 2010

Re: File No. 28359/10

Dear Ms. Fraleigh:

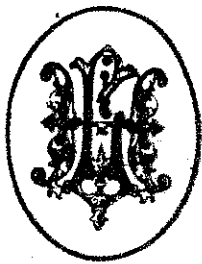
Enclosed is a copy of the attorney's answer to your complaint for your review and reply. Kindly forward your comments, in writing, together with any supporting documents, to the Committee within (10) ten days of your receipt of this letter.

After the investigation of this matter is completed, you will be advised in writing of the Committee's determination.

Very truly yours,


Gloria J. Anderson

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Enclosure



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June 9, 2010

Gloria Anderson, Esq.
Grievance Committee for the Ninth Judicial District
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White Plains, New York 10603

Re: File #28359/10

Dear Ms. Anderson:

This letter is in response to the complaint of Donna Fraleigh. The gist of her complaint is that I became personally involved with her ex-husband during my representation of him in the sale of their then jointly owned marital residence. She is wrong.

She and her ex-husband, Brian Fraleigh, were married on November 22, 1986. On or about November 5, 2004 various matters were filed in the Dutchess County Family Court regarding the issues of a family offense, custody and visitation and child support. Subsequently, in October, 2005, Brian Fraleigh commenced a divorce action in the Dutchess County Supreme Court which resulted in a judgment of divorce being granted on January 2, 2007. Mr. Fraleigh was represented by Maura Barrett, Esq. of the Law Firm of Ostertag O'Leary Barrett & Faulkner. Ms. Fraleigh was also represented by counsel in these matters. I did not know Mr. Fraleigh prior to or during this divorce proceeding.

In the end of October, 2006, Mr. Fraleigh became unemployed and filed a downward modification of child support petition and Ms. Fraleigh filed a violation petition, both of which were pending in the Dutchess County Family Court. My representation of Brian Fraleigh began on February 7, 2007, when I was retained to represent him in both of these matters. Ms. Fraleigh was also represented by counsel. These matters were concluded in April, 2007.

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The parties subsequently sold their marital residence and I represented Mr. Fraleigh in this transaction while Ms. Fraleigh continued to be represented by her attorney. The closing of title took place in the middle of April, 2007. At that time, there was a disagreement regarding the distribution of a portion of the proceeds and I held part of those proceeds in my escrow account as an agent for both parties.

During this time, Ms. Fraleigh had again filed a violation petition and Mr. Fraleigh had filed a modification of support petition in the Dutchess County Family Court. Again, I represented Mr. Fraleigh in this matter and Ms. Fraleigh proceeded pro se. These matters were resolved and my representation of Brian Fraleigh ended in August, 2007.

In November, 2007, Ms. Fraleigh's former attorney commenced an action in Dutchess County Supreme Court relative to the issue of the distribution of the remaining sale proceeds being held in my escrow account. Thomas R. Davis, Esq. of Vergilis, Stenger, Roberts, Davis & Diamond, LLP commenced representation of Mr. Fraleigh in this matter, as well as in additional Family Court and other Supreme Court matters in Dutchess County pertaining to the issue of support from November, 2007 forward. Ms. Fraleigh was also represented by counsel in these proceedings. The escrowed funds were disbursed on August 19, 2008 pursuant to an Amended Consent Order, dated August 11, 2008, signed by the Hon. Christine A. Sproat, Dutchess County Supreme Court Justice.

It was sometime around the December, 2007 holidays (about four months after my representation of Mr. Fraleigh had ended) that I commenced a relationship with him.

In February, 2009, Ms. Fraleigh filed a violation petition in the Dutchess County Family Court that pertained to the issue of visitation. Mr. Fraleigh was represented by Heather L. Kitchen, Esq. and Ms. Fraleigh was also represented by counsel.

It is respectfully submitted that contrary to the assertions of Ms. Fraleigh, the fact that Mr. Fraleigh was represented by other lawyers between August, 2007 and November 2009, does not mean that I "was present and influential to their side...". Mr. Fraleigh's other attorneys were/are highly experienced attorneys in these areas. It is respectfully submitted that I was never present with Mr. Fraleigh and his attorneys in Court but rather provided emotional support to him.

It was not until November 9, 2009, that Brian Fraleigh asked me to represent him again. This time it was in regard to a small claims matter in the Town of Milan against Ms. Fraleigh regarding the issue of his overpayment of child support. I agreed to represent him. A default judgment was subsequently granted against her on March 18, 2010.

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I am currently representing Mr. Fraleigh in regard to a violation and modification of support proceeding filed by Ms. Fraleigh, as well as a modification of support proceeding filed by Mr. Fraleigh, all of which are pending in the Dutchess County Family Court.

The complainant's claim that I "am enabling Mr. Fraleigh to fail to support our 2 daughters" is ridiculous. I give money to all 4 (not 2) of their children to help them out. If I wanted to harm the children financially, I certainly would not give them money. The decision whether or not to grant either of the parties' pending petitions is to be made by the Court, not by me.

Please be advised that I have always encouraged Mr. Fraleigh to fully support all of his children financially and emotionally and in fact have made great sacrifices by aiding him to do so. This was/is despite my own financial difficulty in being the sole provider to my own 3 minor children as I am involved in my own matrimonial matter.

In light of the foregoing, I respectfully request that this complaint be dismissed.

Respectfully,


LISA E. HARTLEY